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items, provided the contracting officer determines that use of the clauses is consistent with customary commercial practices.

- (1) 852.211-70, Requirements for operating and maintenance manuals.
  - (2) 852.211-77, Brand name or equal.
- (e) The contracting officer shall insert the clause in 852.271–70, Services provided eligible beneficiaries, by reference, in all requests for quotations, solicitations, and contracts meeting the prescription contained therein.
- (f) Clauses are not required for micro-purchases using the procedures of this part or part 813. However, this does not prohibit the use of any clause prescribed in this part or elsewhere in this chapter in micro-purchases when determined by the contracting officer

to be in the Government's best interest.

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## 812.302 Tailoring of provisions and clauses for the acquisition of commercial items.

Agency procedures for approval of waivers: Waivers to tailor solicitations in a manner that is inconsistent with customary commercial practice shall be prepared by contracting officers in accordance with FAR 12.302(c). Waiver requests shall be submitted to the contracting officer's next higher level supervisor for approval. Approved requests shall be retained in the contract file.